# Mary Durham collection S394

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## **Summary Information**

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**Repository** Rare Books and Manuscripts

Title Mary Durham collection

**Date** 1820-1908

**Extent** 0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder

**Language** English

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#### **Preferred Citation**

Mary Durham collection, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library

## **Biographical Note**

Mary W. Durham was the granddaughter of Col. Jesse Durham, one of the commissioners appointed by Governor Johnathan Jennings to select the site for the new capital of Indiana.

### **Scope and Contents**

This collection includes correspondence and clippings pertaining to the Durham family, from 1820 through 1908.

The oldest document is a letter by J. Durham in Vallonia, Indiana to William Graham, Esq., in Corydon, Indiana dated December 19, 1820, about the trial of Captain Rogers who faces court martial.

On December 16, 1831, J. B. Durham in Indianapolis wrote to Walter Benton about "the removal of the Michigan Road so as to take it from Indianapolis to Columbus, Brownstown, Salem and the falls of Ohio."

There are letters in 1845, 1852, 1859, and 1869 from John B. Durham, in Medora, Indiana, to his brother Samuel Durham, in Marion, Iowa. John H. Benton wrote to Samuel Durham in 1893 enclosing an article from the Brownstown Banner about his father and grandfather. Mr. Benton also wrote to Mr. Durham in 1903 and 1908, giving family and local history.

The latest document is a poster about the 13th annual Soldiers' Reunion and Homecoming on August 27-28, 1909 in Brownstown, Indiana.

## Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

## **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Information**

Rare Books and Manuscripts

#### **Conditions Governing Access**

This collection is open for research.

#### **Conditions Governing Use**

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#### **Custodial History**

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts from Mary W. Durham in 1930, 1931, and 1935.

#### **Accruals**

No further additions are expected.

#### **Processing Information**

Collection processing and finding aid completed 2014/05/22 by Nikki Stoddard Schofield.

## **Controlled Access Headings**

#### Geographic Name(s)

- Brownstown (Ind.)
- Iowa
- Medora (Ind.)
- Vallonia (Ind.)

#### Personal Name(s)

- Benton, John H.
- Benton, Walter
- Durham, J.B.
- Durham, J.
- Durham, Samuel

## Subject(s)

- Clippings
- Correspondence
- Family history